

massive representations

$$P^\mu = (m, \underbrace{0, 0, 0}_\text{SO(3)} ) \sim S^3, S^3 \sim "z\text{-component}"$$

$\text{SO}(3) = \text{SU}(2)$  little group

$$\{ Q_\alpha^a, \bar{Q}_\beta^b \} = 2m \delta_a^b (\delta_0)_{\alpha\beta} = 2m \delta_a^b \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\hookrightarrow a_\alpha^b = \frac{Q_\alpha^b}{\sqrt{2m}} \quad \text{and} \quad (a^+)_\alpha^b = \frac{\bar{Q}_\beta^a}{\sqrt{2m}}$$

lowering spin      raising spin

$\hookrightarrow$  assuming vanishing central charge  $2^{2N}$  states in multiplet

$$Z^{ab} \text{ can be diagonalized to } Z^{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q_1 & & 0 \\ -q_1 & 0 & & 0 \\ & & 0 & q_2 \\ 0 & & -q_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\hookrightarrow \tilde{Q}_\alpha^j = Q_\alpha^{2j-1} \pm (Q_\alpha^{2j})^+ \quad j=1, \dots, N/2$$

with  $\{ \tilde{Q}_\alpha^\pm, (Q_\beta^\pm)^+ \} = \delta_j^\alpha \delta_\beta^\beta (2m \pm q_j)$

charge      mass       $\geq 0$  for unitary reps

special case  $|q_i| = 2m \Rightarrow$  BPS band

Bogomolnyi - Prasad - Sommerfield

$K$  times  $\Rightarrow 2N-2K$  creation operators and  
 $2^{2(N-K)}$  states =  $1/2^K$  BPS multiplet

### 7.3. Super symmetric field theories

① free theory  $L_{\text{free}} = -\partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi - i \bar{\psi} \bar{\partial}^\mu \partial_\mu \psi$

SUSY transformations  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \delta_\epsilon \phi = \sqrt{2} \epsilon \psi, \text{ and} \\ \delta_\epsilon \psi = \sqrt{2} i (\partial^\mu \bar{\epsilon}) \alpha \partial_\mu \phi \end{array} \right.$

$\rightsquigarrow$  details in the tutorial, in particular SUSY tr.

only close on-shell.

② Wess-Zumino model  $\sim$  "SUSY  $\phi^3$ -theory"

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{free}} - \frac{1}{2} m \psi \bar{\psi} - \frac{1}{2} m \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} - g \phi \psi \bar{\psi} - g^* \phi^* \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}$$

$$S_{\epsilon} \phi = \sqrt{2} \epsilon \psi$$

non-linear in fields

$$S_{\epsilon} \psi = \sqrt{2} i (\partial^\mu \bar{\epsilon}) \partial_\mu \phi - \sqrt{2} (m \phi^* + g \phi^{*2}) \epsilon$$

Remark 2: • Finding SUSY field theories is hard

•  $\rightsquigarrow$  use tools like Super Space formalism.

• We can combine super & conformal symmetry

$\rightsquigarrow$  SCFT (Super Conformal Field Theory)

7.4.  $d=4$  max. SUSY Yang-Mills, helicity  $Q$

spin  $\leq 1 \rightarrow d=4$  max.  $N=4$  ( $-1 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 1$ )

$\rightsquigarrow$   $SU(4)$ -R-symmetry and massless multiplet

	field	index	$SU(4)_R$ irrep
vector	$A_\mu \sim$ vector		1 (singlet)
Weyl fermion	$\lambda_\alpha^a$ , spinor	$a=1, \dots, 4$	4 (fundamental)
Real scalars	$\phi^i$	$i=1, \dots, 6$	6 (antisymmetric $\square$ )

Properties: - Gauge coupling

$$\gamma = \frac{v}{2\pi} + i \frac{4\pi}{g_{YM}^2}$$

-  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  symmetry

$$\tau' = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$$

$$a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$ad - bc = 1$$

- SCFT (even after quantization)

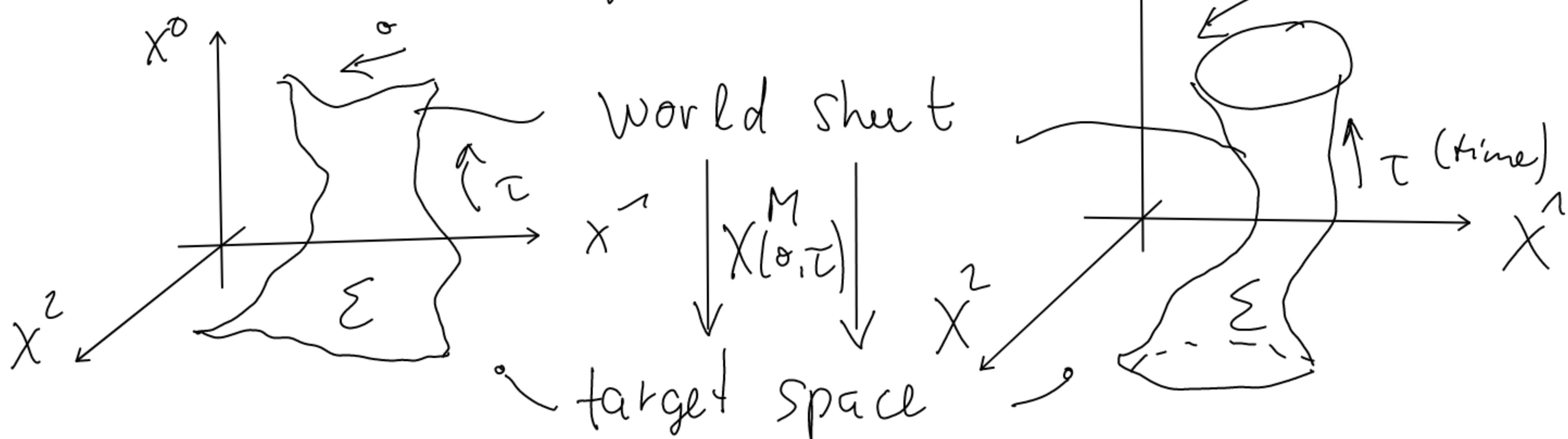
## 8. String theory

large  $N$ -limit  $U(N)$  - (S)YM generating function  
 $\hat{=}$  String's  $\rightarrow$  closed strings describe gravity How?

### 8.1. From Points to Strings

• <sup>zoom</sup>  Particle      String  
 - different vibration modes  $\hat{=}$  diff. particles  
 - two types  $\rightarrow$  closed string  $\rightarrow$  gravity

open string  $\rightarrow$  gauge theory



action  $S_{NG} = -\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int_{\Sigma} d^2\sigma \sqrt{-\det(\partial_\alpha X^M \partial_\beta X^N \eta_{MN})}$   
Nambu-Goto

(remember world line action for geodesic)

highly non-linear :-  $\hookrightarrow$  make it linear by adding  
 world sheet metric  $h_{\alpha\beta} \hookrightarrow$  Polyakov action

$$S_P = -\frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int_{\Sigma} d^2\sigma \sqrt{-h} h^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha X^M \partial_\beta X^N \eta_{MN}$$

Integrating out  $h_{\alpha\beta}$  by  $\frac{\delta S_P}{\delta h^{\alpha\beta}} = 0 \hookrightarrow S_{NG}$  (Virasoro constraints)

symmetries:  
 global  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{target space Poincaré} \\ X^M \rightarrow X^M = \Lambda^M{}_N X^N + a^M \quad (\delta h_{\alpha\beta} = 0) \end{array} \right.$   
 local  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{world sheet diff.'s (2d gravity)} \\ \text{Weyl transformations} \end{array} \right.$

$$(h_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \phi) \rightarrow h'_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \phi) = e^{2w(\tau, \phi)} h_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \phi))$$

To quantize we gauge fix  $h_{\alpha\beta} = e^{2w(\tau, \phi)} \eta_{\alpha\beta}$   
with  $\eta_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
= conformal gauge

$$S_P = \frac{1}{4\pi d^1} \int d^2\phi (\partial_\tau X^M \partial_\tau X^N - \partial_\phi X^M \partial_\phi X^N) \eta_{MN}$$

with equations of motion  $(\partial_\tau^2 - \partial_\phi^2) X^M = \partial_+ \partial_- X^M = 0$   
(light-cone coordinates  $\phi^\pm = \tau \pm \phi$  with  $\partial_\pm = \partial/\partial\phi^\pm$ )

Virasoro constraints from  $\frac{\delta S_P}{\delta h^{\alpha\beta}} = 0$  become

$$T_{++} = \partial_+ X^M \partial_+ X_M = 0, \quad T_{--} = \partial_- X^M \partial_- X_M = 0 \quad \text{and} \\ T_{+-} = T_{-+} = 0$$

## 8.2. String spectrum in Minkowski space

Solution of eom:  $X^M(\tau, \phi) = \underbrace{X_L^M(\phi^+)}_{\text{left-moving}} + \underbrace{X_R^M(\phi^-)}_{\text{right-moving}}$

expansion into modes results in

$$X_L^M(\phi^+) = \frac{\tilde{X}_0^M}{2} + \frac{\alpha'}{2} \tilde{P}^M \phi^+ + i \sqrt{\frac{\alpha'}{2}} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{\tilde{Z}_n^M}{n} e^{-in\phi^+}$$

$$X_R^M(\phi^-) = \frac{X_0^M}{2} + \frac{\alpha'}{2} P^M \phi^- + i \sqrt{\frac{\alpha'}{2}} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{Z_n^M}{n} e^{-in\phi^-}$$

$X_0^M / \tilde{X}_0^M$  center of mass with momentum  $P^M / \tilde{P}^M$

$\alpha_n^M / \tilde{\alpha}_n^M$  vibration modes  $X_{\text{real}}^M$

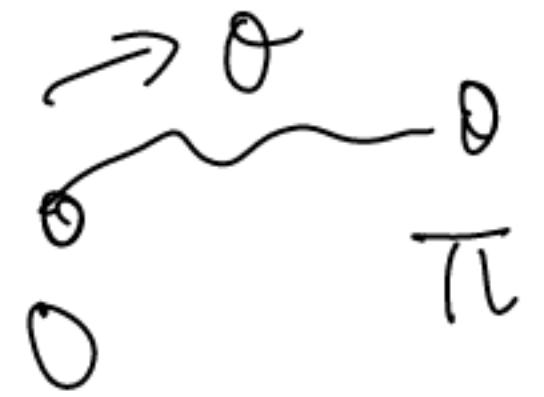
$\rightsquigarrow \alpha_{-n}^M = (\alpha_n^M)^*$  and same for  $\tilde{\alpha}_n^M$

## boundary conditions (b.c.)

- closed string:  $X^M(\tau, 0) = X^M(\tau, 2\pi)$  &  $\partial_\sigma X^M(\tau, 0) = \partial_\sigma X^M(\tau, 2\pi)$

$$\rightsquigarrow X_0^M = \tilde{X}_0^M \quad \text{and} \quad P^M = \tilde{P}^M$$

- open string with end points at  $\bar{\theta} = 0$  or  $\pi$



① Neumann b.c.  $\partial_\sigma X^M(\tau, \bar{\theta}) = 0$

② Dirichlet b.c.  $\delta X^M(\tau, \bar{\theta}) = 0$

"end point is fixed"  $X^M(\tau, \bar{\theta}) = \tilde{X}_0^M$

combination of both  $\stackrel{D \uparrow N}{\sim}$  D-bane

## Canonical Quantization

- ① Poisson brackets for  $X_0^M, P^M, \alpha_n^M$  and  $\tilde{\alpha}^M$   
 $\rightsquigarrow$  tutorial